## CRIPPEN'S LIFE HANGS RURAL CARRIERS UPON LOCK OF HAIR

Star Witness Admits Ana- Concessions Easily Made and tomical Identification of Body Impossible.

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Dr. H. H. Crip-pen's life today is literally hanging by a hair.

examination today by Attorney Arthur Newton, Dr. Pepper, the government analyst, practically repudiated much of his former testimony, and admitted that it was impossible to determine the sex of the remains supposed to have been the body of Belle Elmore Crippen, from

an anatomical standpoint.

"Is this the only way to determine the sex of a body with certainty?" thun-dered Newton, when he saw that he had the government's star witness in

"Yes," was Pepper's reluctant reply. "You agree, then, with Dr. Marshall, the other government analyst, when he declared at the inquest that it was impossible to determine the sex of the remains?" asked Newton, drawing nearer to the perturbed witness.

## Sex Undeterminable.

"I'll admit that it was impossible to determine the sex by any anatomical study," replied Pepper.

Newton paused significantly after this startling admission by Pepper. The whole court room was surprised at the sensational turn in the case, all believes

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## VISCOUNT SONE DEAD.

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startling admission by Pepper. The whole court room was surprised at the sensational turn, in the case, all believing that it marked an early collapse of the prosecution.

Pepper's admission leaves the question of the body's identity dependent upon a few strands of hair found in curlers near the body, another lock of hair found knotted in a man's handkerchief, and the remnant of a woman's undervest.

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Dr. Pepper, government analyst, admitted that when he first saw the remains of the woman supposed to have been Eelle Elmore Crippen, he thought they were animal remains. It required close inspection, he said, to determine that they were remnants of a human body.

Attorney Newton, who is now appearing for both Dr. H. H. Crippen and Miss Ethel Clare Leneve, made the most of Pepper's admission, for it was Pepper who first claimed to have recognized the remains as those of a woman who had undergone an operation, and later found traces of hyssein poisoning.

"You mean to tell the court," said Newton, "that you were able to arrive at this conclusion after first having mistaken these pieces for the remains were those of a middle-age woman of rather heavy build. We established beyond doubt the facts of an operation.

Body Under Floot.

Pepper said the body occupied a space under the cellar floor of the Crippen home, about the length of a human body. Dr. Marshall, the other analyst, was with him on this visit. He said the soll where the body was found consisted of clay and loam mixed, and that the following propositions:

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Pepper sought to remove all doubt as to the correctness of his conclusions by declaring that the next day, July 15, he and Dr. Marshall held a post mortem, which eliminated the last doubt as to the remains being those of a woman.

The dramatic features of the "Crippen case" are appealing to actors and playwrights as no other case in the history of English criminality, and features of it will undoubtedly find their way to the stage. This was evidenced today by the appearance in the Bow street gourt room of Sir John Hare and H. B. Ity-toon of Sir John stage. This was evidenced today to the appearance in the Bow street gourt room of Sir John Hare and H. B. Itying, leading English actors, and of Sir William Gibert, the playwright. They had seats close to the witness stand, and made frequent notes. On two previous occasions Gilbert was honored with a seat by the side of Judge De Rutzen.

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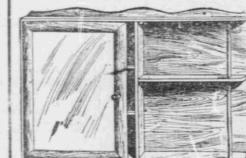




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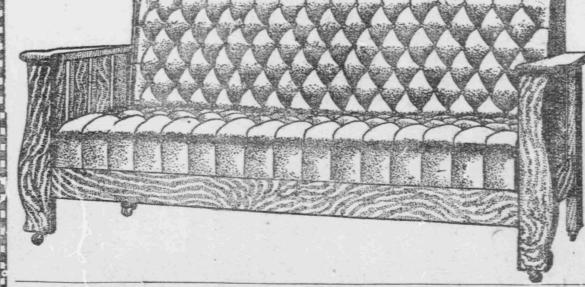
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